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TO: LME Directors

FROM: Leza Wainwright

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "LW", written over the name "Leza Wainwright".

RE: Report on MH/DD/SA Admissions to Hospital Emergency Departments

State law requires the Department of Health and Human Services to submit quarterly reports on individuals with a diagnosis of a mental health, developmental disabilities, or substance abuse disorder who were admitted to community hospital emergency departments. The attached report provides the most current information available on those admissions.

This report provides summary data on admissions to community hospital emergency departments that took place between January 1 and March 31, 2010. During this period, about 14 percent of emergency department admissions statewide involved individuals with a primary or co-occurring diagnosis of mental health, developmental disabilities, or substance abuse disorder.

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